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**SPUTTER TARGET ASSEMBLY AND PRODUCT THEREOF**  
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**Please see attached Reply and Amendment.**

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action issued June 8, 2005, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims appear on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks appear on Page 5 of this paper.

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